AL LARSON BOAT SHOP

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April 20, 2009

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As the President of Al Larson Boat Shop, I am writing this letter on behalf of our company who have been operating in the Port of Los Angeles for 106 years as the Port of Los Angeles' oldest tenant. We are currently an operating and revenue generating historical facility, the oldest in San Pedro Bay. Our original lease was with the Banning family, and the boat shop is the last remaining repairs facility in the ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach with the largest capacity for dry docking. We can dry dock vessels up to 260 feet in length and tonnage up to 1400 tons. We are considered a midsize shipyard. We currently employ between 70 to 100 people at our facility, depending on workload, and recently invested over one million dollars in our boat yard to improve our capability to serve the maritime industry in southern California. We have additional plans for further improvements to allow us to continue to serve the Port community for many more decades to come.

In June of 2008, we applied for a long term lease with the Port of Los Angeles to upgrade our facility. This modernization would achieve several things:

- 1. Expansion of the facility to increase capacity and employment.
- 2. Meet current and future environmental requirements.
- 3. Clean up legacy containments inherent in the historical use as a boat shop.

This past week, we applied for a grant with the Maritime Administration to assist us in this modernization under the "Supplemental Grants for Assistance to Small Shipyards" in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, 2009. We have secured statements of support from most of the commercial operators in both ports. Copies are attached. We have support from Councilwoman Hahn and from the Port for this grant application. Upon completion, scheduled for 2010, additional dry docking capacity will be made available, from 5 vessels to 12 vessels simultaneously, and an estimated 20 new jobs will be created.

Over the past several years we have been working with Port staff on this modernization of our facility. We believe that we now have staff concurrence on our plan, pending resolution of legacy contaminated sediments, CEQA and permit approvals. This disposition of the contaminated sediments is another reason why I am writing to you.

The Final SEIS/SEIR for the Port of Los Angeles Channel Deepening Project has in its proposed action the creation of a "long term confined disposal facility" (CDF) for contaminated materials at Berth 243-245. We support the proposed action and creation of the CDF. The CDF will serve to cap legacy contaminated sediments, provide capacity for additional contaminated sediments within the project area, and provide for environmental enhancement, thereby accomplishing several important project objectives. Although Al Larson Boat Shop does not have an agreement with the Port for use of the CDF for placement of our contaminated sediments, we would like the Port to consider the use of the

CDF if there is excess capacity to accommodate our contaminated sediments for the second phase of our improvements.

We therefore strongly support the proposed action for the Port of Los Angeles Channel Deepening Project. In addition, we hereby respectfully request your continued support of our future plans to provide sustainable services to the local maritime industry.

Sincerely,

Jack Wall President

Josh Wall

Cc:

Jerilyn Lopez, Vice President, Commission Kaylynn L. Kim, Commissioner Douglas Krause, Commissioner Joseph R. Radisich, Commissioner Kathryn McDermott, Port of Los Angeles David Mathewson, Port of Los Angeles Ralph Appy, Port of Los Angeles



3/31/2009

Jean E. McKeever Associate Administrator for Business and Workforce Development Room W-21-318 Maritime Administration 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE Washington, DC 20590

Subject:

Al Larson Boat Shop - MARAD Application for Grant Award

Terminal Island

Foss Maritime Company has been a customer of Al Larson Boat Shop(ALBS) for the past 40+ years. We have received a high standard of services, but due the limited capacity of the boat yard, we have at time been forced to seek repairs and maintenance services from outside the region. This has increased our cost and fuel usage to transport our vessels outside the region.

We support the ALBS application for funding of improvements to the Yard and expand their operations. This will allow us to continue to utilize the boat yard and decrease our overall costs.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the undersigned at 562 437-6647.

Jerry Allen- Port Engineer Foss Maritime Company-Socal Pier D Berth 35 Long Beach, Ca. 90801

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Subject: Al Larson Boat Shop - MARAD Application for Grant Award <u>Terminal Island</u>

Crowley has been a customer of Al Larson Boat Shop (ALBS) for the past 40 years. We have received a high standard of services, but due the limited capacity of the boat yard, we have at time been forced to seek repairs and maintenance services from outside the region. This has increased our cost and fuel usage to transport our vessels outside the region.

We support the ALBS application for funding of improvements to the Yard and expand their operations. This will allow us to continue to utilize the boat yard and decrease our overall costs.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

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April 2, 2009

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Subject:

Al Larson Boat Shop - MARAD Application for Grant Award

Terminal Island

Catalina Express has been a customer of Al Larson Boat Shop(ALBS) for the past 20 plus years. We have received a high standard of services, but due the limited capacity of the boat yard, we have at time been forced to seek repairs and maintenance services from outside the region. This has increased our cost and fuel usage to transport our vessels outside the region.

We support the ALBS application for funding of improvements to the Yard and expand their operations. This will allow us to continue to utilize the boat yard and decrease our overall costs.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the undersigned at 310-519-7971.

Greg Bombard

President, Catalina Express

310-519-7971



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Subject: Al Larson Boat Shop - MARAD Application for Grant Award

The Jankovich Company has been a customer of Al Larson Boat Shop (ALBS) for the past 5 years. We have received a high standard of services, but due the limited capacity of the boat yard, we have at time been forced to seek repairs and maintenance services from outside the region. This has increased our cost and fuel usage to transport our vessels outside the region.

We support the ALBS application for funding of improvements to the Yard and expand their operations. This will allow us to continue to utilize the boat yard and decrease our overall costs.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the undersigned.

Tom Jankovich
President
The Jankovich Company



Date:

04/02/2009

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Subject:

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Traylor Pacific has been a customer of Al Larson Boat Shop(ALBS) for the pass ten years. We have received a high standard of services, but due the limited capacity of the boat yard, we have at time been forced to seek repairs and maintenance services from outside the region. This has increased our cost and fuel usage to transport our vessels outside the region.

We support the ALBS application for funding of improvements to the Yard and expand their operations. This will allow us to continue to utilize the boat yard and decrease our overall costs.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the undersigned at -

Phil Kolarik Equipment Superintendent Ph - (812) 568-4890



DEFENSE SUPPORT SERVICES LLC A Lockheed Martin / Day & Zimmermann Company

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Subject: Al Larson Boat Shop - MARAD Application for Grant Award Terminal Island

Defense Support Services, LLC has been a customer of Al Larson Boat Shop (ALBS) for the past ten years. We are a prime contractor of the U.S. Navy, located at Expeditionary Warfare Training Group, Pacific, Naval Amphibious Base, Coronado, CA. We continue to receive a high standard of services from Al Larson Boat, however due the limited capacity of the boat yard, we have at times been forced to seek repairs and maintenance services from other shipyards. This has increased our cost to the government.

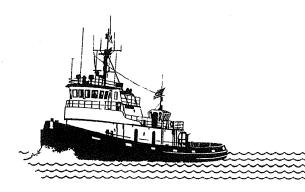
We support the ALBS application for funding improvements to their yard and the expansion of their operations. This will allow us to continue to utilize the boat yard and decrease our overall costs.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at phone (619) 437-2259, or email at glen.white@ds2.com.

Glen T. White

Program Manager

Defense Support Services, LLC



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March 31, 2009

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Subject: Al Larson Boat Shop-MARAD Application for Grant Award, Terminal Island

Sause Bros. Ocean Towing Co., Inc. has moved cargo into and out of the Ports of Long Beach and Los Angeles for over 70 years. For many years now we have been a customer of Al Larson Boat Shop, utilizing their expert services for both our ocean fleet as well as our Long Beach-based harbor fleet. We have consistently received a high standard of services, but due to the limited capacity of the boat yard we have at times been forced to seek repairs and maintenance services outside the region. This has resulted in both increased operating cost and increased fuel usage to transport our vessels outside the region.

We support Al Larson Boat Shop's application for grant funding of improvements to the Yard and for expansion of their operations. A successful grant award will not only allow this critical marine infrastructure link to remain viable in the Los Angeles/Long Beach harbor area, but will in addition provide for increased job creation and retention benefits within the Port area. It is our desire to continue to utilize the services of Al Larson Boat Shop, but expansion of both space and services is critical to that intention.

Sause Bros, Inc. strongly supports the awarding of grant funding to Al Larson Boat Shop.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Sause Bros. at 1-800-662-0365 or 562-901-0365.

Sincerely,

Jim Geddes

Southern California Port Engineer

Sause Bros., Inc.







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April 2, 2009

Subject:

Al Larson Boat Shop - MARAD Application for Grant Award

Terminal Island

Catalina Passenger Service, Inc. has been a customer of Al Larson Boat Shop(ALBS) for the past 35 years. We have received a high standard of services, but due the limited capacity of the boat yard, we have at time been forced to seek repairs and maintenance services from outside the region. This has increased our cost and fuel usage to transport our vessels outside the region.

We support the ALBS application for funding of improvements to the Yard and expand their operations. This will allow us to continue to utilize the boat yard and decrease our overall costs.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the undersigned at (949) 673-3014

Sincerely,

Robert Black

General Manager

Catalina Passenger Service, Inc.



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G. E. "Ike" Ikerd General Manager

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Terminal Island

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Clean Seas, LLC has been a customer of Al Larson Boat Shop (ALBS) for the past 20+ years. We have received a high standard of services, but due the limited capacity of the boat yard, we have at times been forced to seek temporary repairs and maintenance services from other sources outside the LA/LB region. This has increased our cost and fuel usage to transport our vessels for temporary repairs outside the LA/LB region prior to scheduled dry dock plans.

We support the ALBS application for funding of improvements to the Yard and expand their operations. This will allow us to continue to utilize this boat yard for planned or emergency repairs and decrease our overall costs.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the undersigned at (805) 684-3838 or email gikerd@cleanseas.com.



March 5, 2009

Jean E. McKeever
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Subject: Al Larson Boat Shop - MARAD Application for Grant Award (Terminal Island)

SA-TECH along with our Naval Air Warfare Center Weapons Division (NAWCWD) customer has been a user and customer of Al Larson Boat Shop (ALBS) for the past five years. We operate a large fleet of vessels for NAWCWD out of the Port of Hueneme, CA. Several of our vessels are in excess of 200 feet in length. We have received a high standard of services, but due the limited capacity of the ALBS boat yard, we have been forced to seek repairs and maintenance services for our larger vessels from outside the region. This has resulted in increased cost and fuel usage to transport our vessels outside the region as well as additional out-of-service time for these vessels.

We support the ALBS application for funding of improvements to their yard and expand their operations. This will allow us to increase our utilization of the boat yard and decrease our overall costs and the ultimate cost to the Government.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the undersigned at (805) 989-0224 or (805) 797-2907 (cellular).

James C. Lewis

Program Manager

Target Operations & Maintenance Contract (NOO178-04-D-4118)



March 31, 2009

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Subject:

Al Larson Boat Shop - MARAD Application for Grant Award

Terminal Island

MAR Incorporated has been a customer of Al Larson Boat Shop(ALBS) for the past fourteen years. We have received a high standard of services, but due the limited capacity of the boat yard, we have at time been forced to seek repairs and maintenance services from outside the region. This has increased our cost and fuel usage to transport our vessels outside the region.

We support the ALBS application for funding of improvements to the Yard and expand their operations. This will allow us to continue to utilize the boat yard and decrease our overall costs.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the undersigned at 805-644-2191.

Regards,

Tim Minniear Program Manager

MAR Incorporated



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Subject: Al Larson Boat Shop - MARAD Application for Grant Award Terminal Island

K-Sea Transportation LLC has been a customer of Al Larson Boat Shop(ALBS) for the past 7 years. We have received a high standard of services, but due the limited capacity of the boat yard, we have at time been forced to seek repairs and maintenance services from outside the region. This has increased our cost and fuel usage to transport our vessels outside the region.

We support the ALBS application for funding of improvements to the Yard and expand their operations. This will allow us to continue to utilize the boat yard and decrease our overall costs.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the undersigned at Sincerely,

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Engineering Manger



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RE:

April 10, 2009

AL LARSON BOAT SHOP LOCATED AT TERMINAL ISLAND, PORT OF LOS ANGELES

Dear Ms. McKeever:

I am writing to offer my support for the expansion of the Al Larson Boat Shop facility. This business has been serving our maritime industry for over 100 years in the Port of Los Angeles. As the Councilwoman of the 15th District that serves the Port area, I urge you to provide funding for their planned improvements.

Providing the maritime industry with high quality reliable services is imperative. The planned improvements will allow them to expand their operations to more consistently serve this vital industry. More importantly, it will bring new jobs to an area that is already experiencing over double-digit unemployment. With the recent downturn in the economy, container throughput and the jobs associated with those waterfront operations have been in a steep decline.

I strongly recommend that the Maritime Administration support the Al Larson Boat Shop application with the funding needed to implement their requested improvements. This project will create construction jobs, as well as long-term jobs to support the operations.

Please contact Gordon Teuber from my staff for any further assistance. He can be reached at 310-732-4514, or by e-mail at Gordon.Teuber@lacity.org. Thank you for your consideration of this most important project for our region.

Sincerely,

Councilwoman, 15th District

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Executive Director

April 7, 2009

Jack Wall, President Al Larson Boat Shop 1046 S. Seaside Avenue Terminal Island, CA 90731

SUBJECT: AL LARSON BOAT SHOP, TERMINAL ISLAND

PROPOSED TRAVEL LIFT OPERATIONS & ASSOCIATED IMPROVEMENTS

Dear Mr. Wall:

We were excited to hear that Al Larson Boat Shop (ALBS) will be applying for federal stimulus funds for a portion of the redevelopment of its premises, and I have instructed staff to make this project a priority.

Although issuance to you of a long-term permit is subject to the review and approvals of the Board of Harbor Commissioners and the Los Angeles City Council, Port of Los Angeles staff is unwavering in its support of your plans for modernizing and expanding your operations. As the only major shipyard in the Port of Los Angeles, we are committed to maintaining ALBS's presence in the area. There is little doubt that recreational and commercial vessels that call at the Port of Los Angeles, especially the service vessels that support the shipping industry, would stand to benefit greatly from ALBS's increased efficiency and expanded operations.

Finalizing the form of a long-term permit that could be presented to the Board of Harbor Commissioners is conditioned upon our reaching agreement primarily on ALBS's remedial action plan, the engineering design and construction standards, and a viable rent schedule for both ALBS and the Port of Los Angeles.

Please be assured that we will continue to assist you in your pursuit of a federal stimulus grant, and work towards an expedited approval process for both your project and long-term permit.

Should you have any questions, please contact Rica Viola of our Real Estate Division at (310) 732-3329.

Sincerely,

GERALDINE KNATZ, Ph.D.

Executive Director

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